

\$1,500,000 MISSING**Cuban Agent Gone and New
York House Fails.****CARGO OF GOLD ON SEAS****Manuel Silveira Leaves Havana
and There the Clew Ends.****J. M. Ceballos & Co. Make Assign-
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Aboard Does Not Arrive—Statement
Issued by Attorney for the As-
signee—Calls Missing Man Ab-
sconder—Liabilities Are Heavy.**

New York, Oct. 10.—The banking house of J. M. Ceballos & Co., New York and Havana, made a general assignment for the benefit of creditors today to William V. Rowe, of the law firm of Sullivan & Cronwell.

The house was a very important one in Wall street, its resources being generally placed between \$4,000,000 and \$5,000,000, and it was the most important American banking house so far as relations with Cuba and Porto Rico are concerned. The assignee, after a cursory examination, roughly estimated the liabilities at between \$3,000,000 and \$4,000,000. No prediction of the value of the assets was ventured.

The man responsible for the failure, according to William Nelson Cromwell, attorney for the assignee, is on the high seas, just where no one knows. He is Manuel Silveira, of Havana, head of the house of Silveira & Co., bankers and merchants, of Havana, a life-long friend and close business associate of J. M. Ceballos, and Cuban correspondent of J. M. Ceballos & Co.

Either lost by him in speculation or in his possession is \$1,500,000 in money and other property belonging to the New York house.

Hard to Make Collections.

Two months ago, so Mr. Silveira wrote Mr. Ceballos, connections got slack in Cuba. Cuban revolution was impending, and it was impossible to secure anything like prompt payments. He would do the best he could later, he wrote, but the situation was really getting worse, and from that time up to last week a multitude of excuses and very little money came to the New York house from its Havana agent.

Eventually, Mr. Ceballos got a cable last week (Monday) from Mr. Silveira, in which the latter said he had just been successful in raising on the most hazardous risks, and that he would start on the following day to bring a complete accounting and large sums of bullion and drafts to Ceballos & Co. to take a long rest, and to spend a long visit with his old and true friend, the head of the firm. He started from Havana, according to the announcement, on one of his own steamers, the Carmelina, carrying as its sole passengers his wife and children and manned entirely by his own employees.

Mr. Ceballos expected his friends on Sunday, but he knew that the Carmelina was a cattle boat of but 2,000 tons burden, and was not greatly worried when the ship failed to make port that day. On Monday he had a sharp knock kept for the overdue steamer, and began to feel a bit concerned, though not yet seriously anxious over the deal.

On Tuesday Mr. Ceballos began to make inquiries for the missing ship. He made as thorough inquiries as possible. Cables have been sent to every port within the Carmelina could have reached in the time elapsed since October 2. The Carmelina has entered none of these ports, nor has there come in, as far as can be ascertained, any vessel which has spoken or sighted her.

Ship's Whereabouts Unknown.

Consequently no member of the firm, and no lawyer connected with the investigation, can tell whether the Carmelina has made for the ends of the earth, whether it has been sunk with the Silveira family, the crew seeking a hiding place on some little unknown coast, or whether it is cruising about the Spanish Main as a pirate, or whether it has met with some accident.

All the circumstances inspire speculation, but it is noteworthy that in the statements given out by the counsel today not even a suggestion is made that the ship has been on some ordinary mishap on the high seas.

As alleged by William Nelson Cromwell, attorney for the assignee, the circumstances are as follows:

"J. M. Ceballos & Co., bankers, of New York and Havana, have today made a general assignment for the benefit to William V. Rowe, of the law firm of Sullivan & Cronwell, as counsel to the assignee. The assignment is stated by the firm to be due to the defection of Manuel Silveira, of Silveira & Co., bankers and merchants, of Havana, who, for several years have represented the business office of Ceballos & Co. His deficiency amounts to \$1,000,000 in money and other property."

Disappears from Havana.

Silveira disappeared from Havana on Tuesday, the 2d inst., in one of his own steamers, named the Carmelina, with New York as his ostensible destination. In local publications he announced his intention of going to New York, and in letters to Mr. Ceballos he declared his purpose of coming to New York and personally presenting his accounts and delivering the balance on hand.

"He was expected in due course to reach New York on Monday of this week, but failed to appear, and it has just developed by cable from Havana that instead of departing for New York he had left for parts unknown, accompanied by his wife and children. Every effort is being made to locate the absconder."

"Silveira & Co. were one of the largest and best known firms in Havana, were the largest importers of cattle in Cuba, and were reputed especially to have made a large fortune immediately after the war."

Mr. Rowe, the assignee, immediately took charge of the business.

Mr. Cromwell, counsel for the assignee, stated:

"Messrs. Ceballos & Co. had no premonition of this conduct of their agent."

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WEATHER FORECAST.

For the District of Columbia, Eastern Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware, and Maryland—Fair to-day and to-morrow; light to fresh westerly winds.

HERALD NEWS SUMMARY.**TELEGRAPHIC.**

Disappears with a million dollars in gold. Testimony unfavorable to Dr. Brouwer. Secretary Shaw advocates fluctuating reserve.

Col. Mosby's men hold reunion. Standard loses two points in Ohio oil suit. Chinese smugglers captured. Slave dungeon found under Stephen Girard's home. Cabal forces Gen. Funston from Cuba. New British war ship most powerful ever built.

POLITICAL.

Woodruff stirs Hearst's wrath. Hughes well received at Buffalo.

LOCAL.

Old-time telegraphers close their convention. District estimates may exceed eleven millions. Dr. Maurice I. Egan appointed an Indian commissioner.

Spanish-American War Veterans elect officers. Y. M. C. A. holds banquet and reunion. Alexandria bank rumer loses \$3,500.

REVOLUTIONISTS ARE CAUGHT.

Russian Officer and Twenty Soldiers Arrested at Vilna.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 10.—All the members of an organization conducting a revolutionary agitation in the army have been arrested at Vilna. They comprise an officer, twenty soldiers, and a Jew and Jewess.

STANDARD HIT TWICE**Ohio Scores Important Points
in Oil Trust Hearing.****QUOTE ROCKEFELLER'S WORDS**

Attorneys for the State Granted Privilege to Introduce Answers Filed in 1898—Original Certificates Show Plan of Operation Unchanged by Ouster Order—Question Open.

Findlay, Ohio, Oct. 10.—The prosecution won today upon the crucial test of its case, the privilege to introduce as evidence the answers of John D. Rockefeller to interrogatories filed by Attorney General Monnett in his contempt proceedings in 1898.

To-night the attorneys for the State admit that the court ruled against them in this particular their case would have fallen flat. With this foundation to work from, and the evidence in hand to build with, they expect to be able to establish conclusively that there has been no real change in the conduct of the trust since its organization.

Another distinct triumph was scored today in the introduction of a series of certificates of outstanding stock in the original trust. These were furnished by Mrs. Ida M. Butts, step-daughter of George M. Rice, of Marietta, now deceased, formerly a leading independent operator, whose financial ruin came as a result of the Standard.

These certificates were issued to Rice when the revision of the Standard Oil Company plan of operations came following the ouster order from the Supreme Court in 1892. They are dated, most of them being between 1892 and 1896. In all they represent eight shares of Standard Oil stock, being six shares of the original trust issue, par value \$100, fractional scrip in the subsidiary corporation stocks aggregating one share of Standard Oil stock, and a certificate of legal title issued by the Standard liquidating trustees, also equaling in value one share of Standard Oil stock.

All of these certificates are unchanged. Presented to the directors of the Standard Oil Company they will call for the issuance of Ida M. Butts, as executrix of the estate of George M. Rice, of eight shares of Standard Oil stock. Upon these certificates will be based the argument for the prosecution that the trust has never been dissolved.

Question Is Left Open.

Only one other feature figured in today's proceedings. The prosecution sought to introduce a certified copy of the increase of the trustees of the Standard Oil Company in New Jersey, following the ouster suit in 1892. The certificate came from the Secretary of State of New Jersey. The objection was offered to its introduction and strenuously supported. The court had reached no decision at adjournment.

To-night the attorneys for the prosecution are plainly alerted. They have laid the foundation of their case, which they unhesitatingly declare can result in nothing but conviction unless the jury chooses to disagree.

ACCUSED MAN CHOSE DEATH.

Awaiting Trial for Robbing Mails, He Took Poison.

New York, Oct. 10.—When the case of Rudolf P. Bagraw, accused of robbing the mails, was called before United States Commissioner Shields in the Federal Building today the clerk paused a moment with his pen poised over the record. Then he marked the case off the books with this notation:

"Accused committed suicide."

Bagraw killed himself by drinking carbolic acid early to-day at his home, 31 Clay street, Newark, N. J. He sat up all night trying to nerve himself to face arraignment in court, and he lost the battle. When his mother, tearful and sorrowing, went to call him she found him dead on the floor. He left this note behind:

"Pride, pride, pride. Sold my life for nothing."

"Dearest Mother: Far better for you to visit the grave of the boy you loved so dearly. God knows I could not face this. Mother, live for dear father and sister's sake, who always made it so pleasant for me. Death rather than this. God forgive me again."

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FIND SLAVE PRISON**Dungeon Discovered Under
Stephen Girard's Home.****ORIGIN OF HIS FORTUNE****Illegal Traffic by Eccentric Mil-
lionaire Possible.**

Philadelphia, Oct. 10.—Subway workmen, digging deep beneath Water street, above Market, for the foundations of the new tunnel station, uncovered at a depth of 100 feet what is clearly an old slave prison. The pen is composed of narrow cells in three tiers, with three-foot corridors between the heavy walls. Heavy iron bars covered the windows and in each cell were manacle supports.

Directly above them is the house of Stephen Girard, the eccentric millionaire, who gave Girard College to Philadelphia, and whose estate is now valued in the hundreds of millions. It was in tearing down this house, which the traction company had bought from the Girard trust, that they came across the prison.

It has long been handed down in local history that Girard drove a brisk slave trade, and that some of the basis of his fortune came from the barter of the blacks. As soon as the discovery was made the whole board of trustees hocked down to the dungeons. They were not allowed to examine them, but will to-morrow.

Origin of Fortune a Mystery. Girard came to Philadelphia in 1776. In the war of 1812 he made his heroic loan to finance the country in its war. After that he worked among the yellow fever victims in Philadelphia, after nearly every one else had fled the city. The origin of his fortune has always been a mystery.

The cells run six to a tier, are each large enough to hold six men, packed in closely. The old Girard house is within half a square of the Delaware, and secret access would have been easy.

Girard believed in slavery, owned slaves, and had many on his Louisiana sugar plantation. John W. Jordan, the Pennsylvania Historical Society librarian, said he had recently visited slave dungeons under an old house in Elkton, Md., which corresponded exactly to these.

A curious circumstance connected with the discovery is that for years a legend of haunting has hung around old Water street, between Market and Ash. Stories of underground shrieks, chain-rattling, blows, and all the other time-honored manifestations have been told, and it is said that the houses of the old Girard family cannot be rented because of this.

SHOT TEACHER IN SCHOOL.

Jilted Lover Commits Murder in the Presence of Children.

Cleveland, Oct. 10.—James Smith, of Warrensville, shot and killed Miss Mary Shepard, the teacher of a district school, before a room full of school children.

The school was in a desolate place, about fifteen miles from Cleveland. The pupils ran frantically from the building, and a crowd collected, bent on lynching Smith. He fled through a nearby forest, boarded a street car and reached home. Just as the police and would-be lynchers reached the house, Smith shot and killed himself.

The murder was a fourth cousin of his victim. She jilted him two months ago, and although he had protested that he loved her, she had refused to see him again.

GOLDFIELD IS BURNING.

Mining Town Is Threatened with Destruction.

Chicago, Ill., Oct. 10.—Goldfield, Nev., is burning, according to dispatches received here to-night.

Definite news is lacking, but it is reported that the water works and an entire business block have already been destroyed, and that the entire town is in danger.

The town is the center of one of the richest mining fields in the world, and was the scene of the recent Gans-Nelson fight. Only within a year or two have handsome buildings begun to replace the original mining shacks, and many of the characteristics of the mining camp still remain.

HINDMAN MAKES AFFIDAVIT

Declares Mutual Life Management Is Electioneering for Ticket.

New York, Oct. 10.—Bisce Hindman, the general agent of the Mutual Life Insurance Company at Louisville, Ky., who was dismissed after he had refused to pledge himself to resign in case the policy holders elected him a trustee of the company, has made an affidavit in which he refutes the statement made by the Mutual agency committee. The committee's statement said that "no money of the corporation can be properly used in electioneering, and this committee has not and will not authorize any such use."

Mr. Hindman's affidavit says that this statement was printed by Thomas P. Morgan, Jr., salaried manager for the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York, at Washington, D. C.

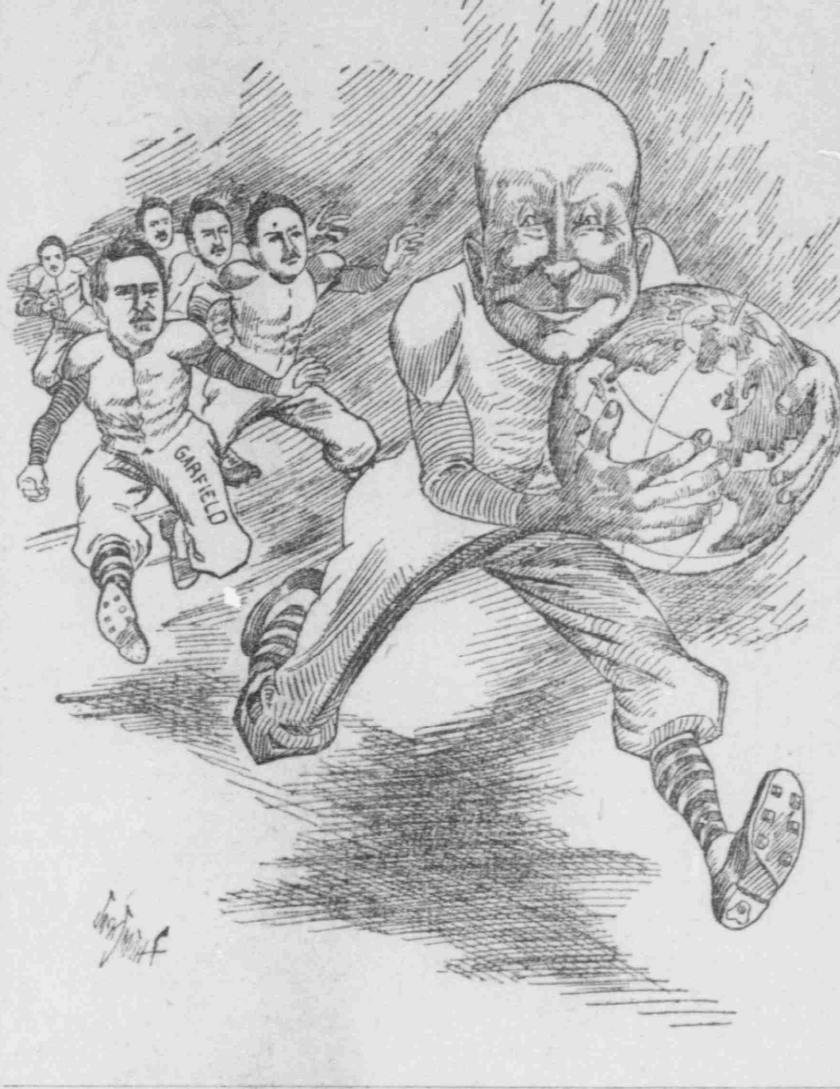
FINDS GIRL BABY IN COACH.

Conductor Takes Richly Dressed Child to Philadelphia Police.

Philadelphia, Oct. 10.—Nestling in the corner of a cushioned seat in a Pullman coach of the Pittsburgh express, a pretty blue-eyed baby was found asleep by the conductor, at the Broad street station. He carried her to Central station, and the police are searching for the mother. The child was expensively clothed.

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JOHN D. MAKES AN END RUN.**YACHT LANDS CHINESE****Outlaw Craft, Disguised as
Fisherman, at Providence.****GOT RID OF PART OF CARGO**

Authorities Swoop Down on Her After Twenty-eight Smuggled Chinese Got Away—Captain, One Man, and Fifteen Celestials Captured—Story of Wild Chase.

Providence, R. I., Oct. 10.—In the darkness of the early hours of this morning, when the patter of a driving rain on the tin roofs of the wharf sheds along the river front drowned every other sound, the schooner yacht Frolic, which for more than two weeks has been pursued by United States revenue cutters as it slipped up and down the Atlantic coast, attempted to get rid of its load of forty-two Chinamen and smuggle them ashore. By the sheerest accident the plot failed.

Fifteen of the aliens have been captured. The captain and one member of the crew have been arrested, and from one of the men the police have a confession which tells of what happened on the trim little pleasure craft with its slitted, yellow-skinned, pig-tailed cargo stowed in its dark hold since it left Newfoundland toward the end of September on its strange errand.

Caught by Accident.

All the carefully laid plans might have succeeded had not a laborer in a coal yard here stumbled over a prostrate form in the dark. He hunted up the night watchman, and together they notified the police. Half an hour later a squad of policemen, under the lead of an immigration officer, came upon fifteen of the Chinamen, all dressed in American costumes, peering through the half-lighted streets toward the Chinese quarter. They were waiting for the vessel.

They found the vessel on the bay, and the crew of the Frolic were taken into custody. The crew consisted of the captain, one man, and fifteen Chinese.

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TILLMAN ON THE NEGRO**Discusses Amalgamation and
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Would Do Away with Fourteenth and Fifteenth Amendments and Introduce European Passport System for Supervision of the Colored Race in the South.

Little Rock, Ark., Oct. 10.—Senator Tillman, of South Carolina, delivered an address here today on the race question. Among other things he said:

"A crisis is approaching—aye, it is here—when the white men must rule this Southland of ours, regardless of all the Yankees between Cape Cod and hell. I will say a thing which is necessary, and which I regret to say: I believe it was, and is, the purpose of the politicians in the North to so amalgamate the two races in the South as to make us all part negro. The Southern women are standing guard at the door of the temple of race purity, and the men are aiding in the amalgamation. There can be no dual standard of home life in this country. We demand, and rightly, too, that our women be pure. They are with us, and by the living God, a white man who will not stand with us should be made to live forever with the wretches with whom he delights to associate."

Would Force Negroes North.

"I would like to have all the negroes move to the North. In fact, I have a scheme by which I believe it is possible to compel many of them to go there, where they appear to be loved so dearly; where the President of the United States has sat down and eaten with one. This association of white men with negroes, often times, starts the demon in the white man, which ends in an assault upon a white woman. The negro is led to believe that he is as good as a white man, and then he soon dangles from the end of a rope if there are men with grit enough to do their duty."

"Now for the remedy. In Europe where every one is white all persons must show their papers. I believe the passport system in America would abolish ravishings. I know the fourteenth and fifteenth amendments would have to be done away with. When a man leaves home he would have to show his papers. In addition he would have to give a good and sufficient reason for being absent. It would result in the putting of the loafers on the chancery, where they would be made to work."

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Novel Race in Germany Is Won by the Airships.

Score Is Three to One in Favor of Aeronautes, Who Are Favored by a Brisk Wind.

Berlin, Oct. 10.—A race between military balloons and a volunteer corps in automobiles began this morning at Tegel, a suburb of Berlin. The conditions provided that an automobile will win if it reaches the landing place of a balloon within half an hour of the balloon's landing.

The start attracted an enormous crowd. Four balloons were pursued by seventeen automobiles, which were given fifteen minutes start. They took different routes in a westerly direction. Balloon No. 1, which was colored white, was lost sight of seven minutes after it started. The wind in the upper atmosphere was unusually strong.

Three of the balloons escaped. The fourth was captured by one of the automobiles. During the race a car occupied by Baron Schleinitz, one of the judges, ran into a tree and was wrecked. The baron was not severely hurt, but the driver and another occupant of the car were severely injured.

The general idea prompting the races is that Berlin is besieged, and that it is necessary that important dispatches escape the besiegers.

The balloonists were instructed to take advantage of air currents, if possible, that would take them across water, woods, and other obstacles, forcing the automobile to make long detours.

JAPAN RESENTS TREATMENT.

Tokyo Paper Demands that Mikado Stop California's Persecution.

Tokyo, Oct. 10.—A demand that the Mikado rescue the Japanese in California from the persecution to which it is charged they are subject is made in the Yoruichi Choho, a widely circulated Tokyo paper.

Ever since the California Republicans adopted a platform demanding Japanese exclusion, the paper says the Mikado's subjects there have suffered all kinds of mistreatment.

To leave 30,000 Japanese to such a fate, it is argued, is to discourage emigration and check attempts at national expansion.

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LAY DEAD AMID BUSTLE.

No One Knew It When Longshoreman's Life Passed Out.

New York, Oct. 10.—It does not seem possible that a man could lie dead in this city for twenty-four hours, in a spot which is in full view of hundreds constantly passing to and fro, without somebody making an investigation. Still such a case came to the attention of the authorities this morning. The body of John Duffy, forty years old, a longshoreman, lay on the sidewalk fringing the Cunard line pier on the North River, close by the busy Gansevoort Market, from yesterday morning until this morning, when at last it occurred to somebody to look a little closer at the man.

Longshoremen wheeled trucks of boxed goods up and down past or along the pier, truckmen arrived or departed with a rattle and a crash of whips, ships came in and went out and tug boats pulled up and down the river, while over in the market a step away a babel of mingled sounds arose. Everything was excitement; everything was alive except Duffy, and no one knew that in the midst of all this there was the presence of a dead man.

"That fellow has made a strange bed," said one to his neighbor. "He will get drenched there."

"Do him good," responded his companion. "It will soak some of the dirt and whisker out of him. Only a drunk; come along."

William Gabrino, of 101 West Thirty-second street, a produce dealer, was on his way to Gansevoort Market with his friend, Bernard Nauss, this morning, when his eyes lit on the body of Duffy. He remembered that the man had been there at 10 o'clock yesterday morning, and thought it strange that one could lie so long without being noticed.

"Come, wake up," he called. There was no answer. He called again. The body almost sent the body into the river. The river front was as it was yesterday and as it will be to-morrow, throbbing with life.

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